

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES - Revenue Department - Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar, Kurnool District - Failed to supervise enumeration and distribution of relief assistance to the flood victims, while working as Tahsildar, Mantralayam Mandal, Kurnool District - Disciplinary proceedings - Enquiry conducted - Representation - Dropping of further action - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE - II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 339

Dated:12-03-2014.

Read the following

1. Charge Memo Rc. A5/1746/2011, Dated: 21.7.2011 issued by the Dist. Collector, Kurnool.
2. From Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar, written statement of defence, dt:18.8.2011.
3. From the CCLA, Letter No. VSI(5)/952/2012, Dt: 7.7.2012.
4. Govt. Memo No.30993/Vig. II(1)/2012-1, Dt: 18.8.2012 and dt:18.5.2013.
5. From Sri M. Sankarappa, retired Tahsildar, representation, dt:27.10.2013.
6. From the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP, Hyderabad, Letter No. VSI(5)/952/2012, Dt: 17.4.2013 & 24.1.2014.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Collector, Kurnool District has framed charges against Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar, Mantralayam Mandal for his failure to supervise the enumeration and distribution of relief assistance to the flood victims during the floods to Tungabhadra River occurred in the month of October, 2009; with a direction to submit his written statement of defence. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation and the District Collector, Kurnool appointed the Revenue Divisional Officer, Adoni as Enquiry Officer. The Enquiry Officer in his inquiry report, dt:21.3.2012 has held that the Charged Officer failed to supervise his legitimate duties. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration has referred the matter to Government for taking further action under A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980, stating that Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.9.2011.

2. In the reference 4th read above, Government have requested the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration to furnish certain information relating to the findings of Enquiry Officer in respect of Village Revenue Officers who were also involved in the case and apportionment of loss among the Accused Officers etc.,

3. In the reference 5th read above, Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar (Retired) has submitted a representation stating about his services were rendered round the clock during the floods at Mantralayam Mandal and stated that he retired from service on 30.9.2011 and his pensionary benefits are not settled due to the case and requested to drop further action against him.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration has stated that the District Collector, Kurnool, has dropped further action against Sri P. Veeranna Goud, Village Revenue Officer, as charges were not proved; imposed a punishment of withholding of one increment without cumulative effect against Sri K. Rajendra Rao, Village Revenue Officer, as one charge is held proved. In respect of Sri G. Devadas, Village Revenue Officer, the Enquiry Officer, among others, opined for forensic examination and accordingly sent the material to Forensic Laboratory for confirming the veracity of the signature taken. Meanwhile, the District Collector placed the above Village Revenue Officer under suspension, 6.1.2013. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration has further stated Sri G. Devadas, Village Revenue Officer caused loss of RS.1,35,000/- and Sri K. Rajendra Rao, Village Revenue Officer caused loss of Rs.7,000/- totaling Rs.1,42,000/- in the case.

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5. Government have examine the matter keeping in view the above reports and observe that the Village Revenue Officers are mainly responsible in the case and in respect of Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar (Retired), the only charge is of slack supervision.

6. Having regard to the facts and the circumstances of the case, Government have taken a lenient view and accordingly, hereby let off Sri M. Sankarappa, Tahsildar (Retired) in the case.

7. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration is requested to take necessary further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P. SINGH
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP, Hyderabad.
The Collector, Kurnool District.
The individual through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration,
AP, Hyderabad.

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